

Unless otherwise stated,  $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{C}$  and  $V$  will denote an inner product space over  $\mathbb{F}$ .

1. Let  $V$  be an inner product space over  $\mathbb{F}$ .

- (a) Prove the parallelogram law that

$$\|x + y\|^2 + \|x - y\|^2 = 2\|x\|^2 + 2\|y\|^2.$$

- (b) Prove the Cauchy-Schwartz inequality

$$|(x, y)| \leq \|x\| \|y\|$$

and that the equality holds if and only if

$$y = \frac{(y, x)}{\|x\|^2}x.$$

2. Consider  $V = \mathbb{C}^n$ , with the usual inner product. Think of the elements of  $V$  as row vectors.

Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n \in V$  and let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \dots \\ v_n \end{pmatrix}$$

- (a) Prove that  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  forms a basis if and only if  $A$  invertible.  
 (b) Prove that  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  forms an orthonormal basis if and only if  $A$  is a unitary matrix (i.e.  $A^*A = I$ ).  
 (c) Formulate the similar statements about vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and orthogonal matrices.

3. Let  $V$  be an inner product space over  $\mathbb{F}$ . Suppose  $E = \{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$  is an orthonormal basis.

- (a) Suppose  $v \in V$  and  $v = a_1e_1 + \cdots + a_n e_n$  where  $c_i \in \mathbb{F}$ . Compute (with proof)  $c_i$  in terms of  $E$  and  $v$ .
- (b) Suppose  $\mathcal{E} = \{\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n\}$  be another orthonormal basis. Let

$$(e_1, \dots, e_n) = (\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n)P$$

for some matrix  $P \in \mathbb{M}_n(\mathbb{F})$ . Prove that  $P$  is a unitary matrix.

4. Let  $V$  be an inner product space over  $\mathbb{F}$ . Suppose  $W$  is a subspace of  $V$  and  $E = \{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$  is an orthonormal basis of  $W$ . For  $v \in V$  define

$$\pi(v) = \sum_{k=1}^n (v, e_k)e_k.$$

Prove (do not quote or use any theorem) the following:

- (a)  $(v - \pi(v)) \perp w$  for all  $w \in W$ ,  
 (b) and

$$\| (v - \pi(v)) \| \leq \| (v - w) \| \quad \text{for all } w \in W.$$

- (c) Also prove that  $\pi$  is a projection and  $V = W \oplus W^\perp$ .

5. Let  $V$  be an inner product space over  $\mathbb{F}$  with  $\dim V = n$  finite. Let  $T \in L(V, V)$  be an operator.

- (a) Prove that there is unique operator  $T^* \in L(V, V)$  such that

$$(T(x), y) = (x, T^*y) \quad \text{for all } x, y \in V.$$

- (b)  $E = \{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$  is an orthonormal basis of  $V$ . Let  $A$  matrix of  $T$  with respect to  $E$ . Prove that matrix of  $T^*$  with respect to  $E$  is  $A^*$ .
- (c) Give an example of an inner product space  $V$ , a basis  $\mathcal{B} = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ , and an operator  $T \in L(V, V)$  so that above (5a) fails OR that matrix, with respect to  $\mathcal{B}$ , of  $T^* \neq A^*$  where  $A$  is the matrix of  $T$  with respect to  $\mathcal{B}$ .

6. Let  $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{C}$  and let  $V$  be an finite dimensional inner product space over  $\mathbb{F}$ . Let  $T, U \in L(V, V)$  be two linear operator and  $c \in \mathbb{F}$ . Then
- (a)  $(T + U)^* = T^* + U^*$ ,
  - (b)  $(cT)^* = \bar{c}T^*$ ,
  - (c)  $(TU)^* = U^*T^*$ ,
  - (d)  $(T^*)^* = T$ .
7. Let  $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{C}$  and let  $V$  be an inner product space over  $\mathbb{F}$ . Let  $T, U \in L(V, V)$  be two linear operator.
- (a) Prove that  $T$  preserves inner product if and only if  $T$  preserves norm.
  - (b)  $U$  is unitary if and only if the adjoint  $U^*$  of  $U$  exists and  $UU^* = U^*U = I$ .
8. Let  $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{C}$ . Let  $V$  be a finite dimensional (with  $\dim V = n$ ) inner product space over  $\mathbb{F}$ .
- (a) Let  $T \in L(V, V)$  be self-adjoint operator. Prove that  $V$  has an orthonormal basis  $E = \{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$  such that each  $e_i$  is an eigen vector of  $T$ .
  - (b) Let  $A \in \mathbb{M}_n(\mathbb{F})$  be an Hermitian (self-adjoint) matrix. Prove that there is an unitary matrix  $P \in \mathbb{M}_n(\mathbb{F})$  such that  $P^{-1}AP$  is a diagonal matrix.
9. Let  $V$  be a finite dimensional inner product space over  $\mathbb{C}$ .
- (a) Let  $T \in L(V, V)$  be a normal operator on  $V$ . Then there is an orthonormal basis  $E = \{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$  such that each  $e_i$  is an eigen vector of  $T$ .
  - (b) Let  $A \in \mathbb{M}_n(\mathbb{C})$  be a NORMAL matrix. Then there is an unitary matrix  $U \in \mathcal{U}(n) \subseteq \mathbb{M}_n(\mathbb{C})$ , such that  $U^{-1}AU$  is a diagonal matrix.